

**Mt. Washington  
Neighborhood Survey  
Spring, 2001**

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Community Council**

## How important is it to have the following in Mt. Washington?

Listed in Order of Quality Rank	Average Score Very Important-3 Important-2 Not Important-1	Total Responses	Total Points	Responded Very, Very Important* (4 points)	Responded Very Important (3 points)	Responded Important (2 points)	Responded Not Important (1 point)	No Response
Face Lift Existing Buildings	2.69	92	248	8 or 8.69%	56 or 60.87%	20 or 21.74%	8 or 8.69%	16 or 14.81%
New Streetscape (trees, lights, benches)	2.58	93	240	5 or 5.38%	52 or 55.91%	28 or 30.11%	8 or 8.60%	15 or 13.89%
More Eating Places (Not Fast Food)	2.54	97	245	4 or 4.12%	50 or 51.55%	36 or 37.11%	7 or 7.22%	11 or 10.18%
More Parking	1.96	88	173	1 or 1.14%	23 or 26.14%	36 or 40.91%	28 or 31.82%	20 or 18.52%
More Retail Space	1.94	86	167	1 or 1.16%	21 or 24.44%	36 or 41.86%	28 or 32.56%	22 or 20.37%
More Night Time Entertainment	1.64	91	149	2 or 2.20%	15 or 16.48%	22 or 24.17%	52 or 57.14%	17 or 15.74%
More Office Space	1.5	80	120	0	4 or 5.00%	32 or 40.00%	44 or 55.00%	28 or 25.92%
More Fast Food	1.32	93	123	0	7 or 7.53%	16 or 17.20%	70 or 75.27%	15 or 13.89%

\* This response was not included on the survey; however several individuals wrote in this response so it was awarded four points and included.

## How would you rate the following in the Mt. Washington business district?

Listed in Order of Quality Rank	Average Score (Excellent-4, Good-3, Fair-2, Poor-1)	Total Responses	Responses excluding don't know	Total Points	Responded Excellent (4 points)	Responded Good (3 points)	Responded Fair (2 points)	Responded Poor (1 point)	Responded Don't Know	No Response
Fire Protection	3.63	103	86	312	55 or 63.95%	30 or 34.88%	1 or 1.16%	0	17 or 16.50%	5
Cemetery Care	2.82	103	67	189	12 or 17.91%	35 or 52.24%	16 or 23.88%	4 or 5.97%	36 or 34.95%	5
School Safety	2.80	102	46	129	4 or 8.69%	31 or 67.39%	9 or 19.56%	2 or 4.35%	56 or 54.90%	6
Street Lighting	2.76	102	97	268	9 or 9.28%	61 or 62.89%	22 or 22.68%	5 or 5.15%	5 or 4.90%	6
Park Care	2.61	101	84	219	6 or 7.14%	45 or 53.57%	22 or 26.19%	5 or 5.95%	17 or 16.83	7
Traffic Speed Control	2.40	105	96	230	9 or 9.37%	41 or 42.71%	25 or 26.04%	21 or 1.87%	9 or 8.57%	3
Patrolling of Residential Areas	2.28	103	91	208	4 or 4.39%	32 or 37.21%	35 or 38.46%	17 or 8.68%	12 or 11.65%	5
Street Maintenance	2.26	105	102	231	4 or 3.92%	39 or 37.14%	37 or 35.24%	24 or 22.86%	1 or .95%	3
Sidewalk Maintenance	2.11	101	94	198	0	33 or 35.11%	38 or 40.42%	23 or 24.47%	7 or 6.93%	7
Appearance of NBD	1.89	101	96	182	0	20 or 20.83%	46 or 47.92%	30 or 31.25%	5 or 4.95%	7

**In which of the following locations do you purchase the majority of the following goods and services?**

	<b>Mt. Washington</b>	<b>Anderson</b>	<b>Eastgate</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total Responses</b>	<b>No Response</b>
<b>Gasoline</b>	38 or 34.23%	59 or 53.15%	2 or 1.80%	12 or 10.81%	111	4
<b>Groceries</b>	89 or 77.39%	16 or 13.91%	8 or 6.96%	2 or 1.74%	115	3
<b>Hardware</b>	16 or 14.54%	71 or 64.54%	7 or 6.36%	16 or 14.54%	110	7
<b>Meals (dining out)</b>	21 or 15.79%	55 or 41.35%	11 or 8.27%	46 34.59%	133	7
<b>Meals (fast food)</b>	45 or 44.55%	43 or 42.57%	3 or 2.97%	10 or 9.90%	101	17
<b>Prescriptions</b>	73 or 58.4%	40 or 32%	0	12 or 9.6%	125	5
<b>Doctors</b>	18 or 15.13%	64 or 53.78%	1 or .84%	36 or 30.25%	119	4
<b>Dental</b>	11 or 10.48%	39 or 37.14%	4 or 3.81%	51 or 48.57%	105	5
<b>Banking</b>	65 or 68.42%	14 or 14.74%	0	16 or 16.84%	95	2
<b>Auto Repair</b>	13 or 13%	42 or 42%	4 or 4%	41 or 41%	100	2
<b>Clothing</b>	1 or 1.15%	17 or 19.54%	11 or 12.64%	58 or 66.67%	87	5
<b>Insurance</b>	14 or 14.14%	11 or 11.11%	0	74 or 74.74%	99	5
<b>Video Rental</b>	72 or 82.76%	6 or 6.90%	0	9 or 10.34%	87	13
<b>Entertainment</b>	4 or 4.88%	3 or 3.66%	5 or 6.10%	70 or 85.36%	82	16

## Mt. Washington Survey Results

**How important is it to have the following in MW?**

Listed in Order of Importance	Average Score: Very Important-3, Important-2, Not Important-1
Face Lift Buildings	2.69
New Streetscape	2.58
More Sit Down Restaurants	2.54
More Parking	1.96
More Retail	1.94
More Entertainment	1.64
More Office Space	1.50
More Fast Food	1.32

**How would you rate the following in MW?**

Listed in Order of Quality Rank	Average Score: Excellent-4, Good-3, Fair-2, Poor-1
Fire Protection	3.63
Cemetery Care	2.82
School Safety	2.80
Street Lighting	2.76
Park Care	2.61
Speed Control	2.40
Neighborhood Police Patrols	2.28
Street Maintenance	2.26
Sidewalk Maintenance	2.11
Appearance of Business District	1.89

### Let Our Voices be Heard!

We are thrilled that our membership has increased over 65% in the past three months to almost 200 households, but that is still less than 4% of our neighborhood. Community councils are the official "voice of the neighborhood" as far as City Hall is concerned. The city often seeks guidance and input from our members on many issues that impact our neighborhood; new development, zoning changes, sign requests, etc. Community input will be critical to

ensure an effective noise mitigation plan for Lunken Airport. Your involvement will help improve Mt. Washington and ensure our neighborhood continues to be one of the finest in the city.

All members receive our newsletter each month, and we hope to continue to send a quarterly newsletter to all MW residents. We strive to

**The following are reasons you live in MW.**

Affordable housing: 24.28%  
 Convenient to friends or relatives: 18.57%  
 Convenient to job: 17.14%  
 Available Shopping: 15%  
 Convenient to Public Transportation: 13.93%  
 Good Private Schools: 5.71%  
 Good Public Schools: 15 or 5.36%

**Which are present in your neighborhood?**

Street Traffic That Poses a Danger: 25.92%  
 Poorly Maintained Houses: 18.52%  
 Unattended Dogs and Cats: 17.04%  
 Unkempt Yards: 15.55%  
 Teenage Problems: 6.67%  
 Vacant Houses or Buildings: 5.92%  
 Vandalism, graffiti: 4.44%  
 Vacant Lots with weeds trash, or junk: 4.44%  
 Burglaries and Theft: 1.48%

**What are solutions to the problems above?**

Notify landlords of property maintenance: 23.57%  
 Increase law enforcement: 18.57%  
 Improved zoning enforcement: 16.43%  
 Volunteer programs to assist seniors and the disadvantaged with maintenance: 15.71%  
 Create a neighborhood or block watch program to report suspect activity: 11.43%  
 Teenage advocacy program: 7.86%  
 Improved health enforcement: 6.43%

keep you informed about MW through the newsletter and our monthly meetings. Our members requested we change our meetings, so please note, our monthly meetings will be at the American Legion on Sutton Avenue at 7:00 pm, the second Thursday of the month beginning in August.

Please become a member today. Complete and return the form below and become an official "voice of the neighborhood."

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: ☐ Family \$10 per year ☐ Individual \$7 per year

☐ Yes! I have time to volunteer. My interests are: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please enclose check payable to MWCC and bring to the July meeting or send to: MWCC, PO Box 30387, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230. We greatly appreciate your support!**

**The following was compiled from a survey that was done by the Mt. Washington Community Council Spring, 2001:**

**Comments regarding the business district**

- Kroger has clean sidewalks and benches. Require homeowners to clean sidewalks.
- Buildings in MW especially Votre Salon are in terrible condition. Awnings and signs.
- The shopping district used to be charming and now it is just a bunch of signs and unattractive.
- Please no more fast food places!
- Clean up Sutton (near VFW), street sweepers, keep grocery carts at stores.
- More trees and grass to Beechmont in the heart of MW.
- Put pressure on business owners to beautify; Lure quality merchants, not fast food!
- Current office/retail space is unoccupied, possibly because of poor parking.
- Keep up bulletin board up at Kroger with community interests, make MW proud of their community.
- Facelift south side, unique stores would help
- Kroger built monster store, looks terrible
- A mall with a movie house
- Electric lines are extremely ugly. Move below ground
- Merchants clean sidewalks
- Movement of Business District toward a more "Neighborhood business" district.
- Fill current vacancies w/ neighborhood oriented ones. Bury the wires before all else.
- Build a town square-Use the parking behind retail shops.
- Clean up Business District at least
- The business district on the south side of Beechmont is hideous!
- More retail if existing is not adequate
- New facades
- Business district in need of better mix of businesses and refurbishing
- A coordinated implementable neighborhood wide plan.
- Better planning & collaboration between neighborhood, business, and city
- Need to improve publicity
- More patrol of speeders uptown & on Beechmont hill.
- Salvadore-trash & grocery carts
- MW has lost its charm. All the store fronts need work. Paint murals on Kroger walls.
- Make Kroger wall more attractive
- Love to see uptown with facelift like the Mt. Washington S&L